West Virginia Reserve Component

BRAC 2005 Recommendation:

Transform Reserve Component facilities in the State of West Virginia into multifunctional installations that will enhance unit readiness, increase training opportunities, and generate operational efficiencies. These transformed facilities will provide the capability to conduct Soldier Readiness Processing and Home Station Mobilization, reduce the number of substandard/undersized Reserve Component facilities, enhance Anti-Terror/Force-Protection, promote effective recruiting and retention, and enhance the Homeland Security and Homeland Defense capabilities of the Army Reserve and the Army National Guard.

Gains:

- Build 3 new Armed Forces Reserve Centers (AFRC).
 - 1. AFRC Elkins, Elkins
 - 2. AFRC Fairmont, Fairmont
 - 3. AFRC Spence-Ripley, Ripley

Losses:

- Close 4 Army Reserve Centers
 - Elkins USARC and supporting Maintenance Shop, Beverly (move to AFRC Elkins)
 - 2. 1LT Harry Colburn USARC and supporting Maintenance Shop, Fairmont (move to AFRC Fairmont)
 - 3. SSG Roy Kuhl USARC and Maintenance Facility, Ripley (move to AFRC Spencer-Ripley)
 - 4. MAJ Elbert Bias USAR Center, Huntington (move to AFRC Spence-Ripley)
- Close 3 Army National Guard Armories with State permission
 - 1. WVARNG Readiness Center, Elkins (move to AFRC Elkins)
 - 2. WVARNG Readiness Center, Fairmont (move to AFRC Fairmont)
 - 3. WVARNG Readiness Center, Spencer (move to AFRC Spencer-Ripley)